

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (original) Topical composition particularly for the treatment of erythema, characterized in that it includes at least colestyramine as an ion exchange resin and at least one substance that has buffer properties.

2. (original) Topical composition according to claim 1, characterized in that the substance with buffer properties is selected from monopotassium phosphate, disodium phosphate, sodium acetate, ammonium acetate, sodium citrate, citric acid, disodium tetraborate, boric acid, amino acids such as lysine, leucine, alanine, methyl parahydroxybenzoate, propyl parahydroxybenzoate, sodium benzoate.

3. (currently amended) Topical composition according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, characterized in that it comprises a pH regulator comprising imparting to said composition a pH between 4 and 8, to permit optimum absorption of the bile salts by the ion exchange resins.

4. (original) Topical composition according to claim 3, characterized in that the pH regulator permits imparting to said composition a pH of about 6.0.

5. (currently amended) Topical composition according to claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~, characterized in that it is present in one of the different galenic forms: cream, gels, lotions, aerosols or spray aerosols.

6. (currently amended) Topical composition according to claim 1 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~, characterized in that it is applied directly to external supports in direct contact with the zones to be treated.

7. (new) Topical composition according to claim 2, characterized in that it comprises a pH regulator comprising imparting to said composition a pH between 4 and 8, to permit optimum absorption of the bile salts by the ion exchange resins.